

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
25 N BROADWAY
PERU, IN 46970
February 3, 2014

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order. All members were present.

MINUTES

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the minutes from January 21st.
Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PAYROLL

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the payroll. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

BUNKER HILL PLAN COMMISSION

Bill Gornto came before the Board to ask about Comprehensive Plan for the County. Mr. Gornto stated no one has spoken to the Bunker Hill Planning and Zoning and that Bunker Hill has a comprehensive Plan, which includes a development plan for 31. They want to know if they will have to let theirs go and be a part of the County's Plan. Commissioner Francis said he believes that they would ask Bunker Hill to participate and would incorporate the Bunker Hill plan into the County Plan.

Mr. Gornto stated he had heard that the Commissioners said the Miami County Planning and Zoning Department is not smart enough to do the Plan. Commissioner Francis stated that is not what said. The Comprehensive Plan encompasses a lot more than it ever did before and it is crucial that it contains information that covers projects that are planned in the County therefore we need professional guidance.

BUILDING

Michael Powell came before the Board because he is going to build a house and wanted to know whom he needed to talk to regarding the placement of a driveway. The Commissioners told him to talk with Planning and Zoning and the Surveyor.

CLAIMS

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the claims. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

WABASH RIVER HERITAGE COORIDOR

The Board received a request for a donation of \$1,000 to help fund this project. Commissioner West made a motion to table indefinitely. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

DOG CONTROL BID

Commissioner West made a motion to advertise to receive bids as soon as Mr. Roberts gets it to the Auditor. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

VACATION TIME CARRY OVER

The Board received a request for Gina Cloward to carry over 5 vacation days. Commissioner West made a motion to allow her to carry them over until the end of February. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

The Board also received a request from Elise Kordis, Museum Curater, to allow Angelyn Hellman to carry over 4 vacation days to be used within 60 days. Commissioner West made a motion to allow the carry over until the end of February. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PTABOA APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner West made a motion to reappoint Jerry Deeds and Nikki Nordman to the PTABOA Board. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

CSI CONTRACTS

Commissioner West made a motion to sign the CSI contracts. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

MCEDA

Jim Tidd came before the Board to explain that he and Commissioner Francis had attended the 31 Coalition meeting. The US 31 Coalition helps negotiate with INDOT for the best interest of the County. Mr. Tidd asked for the Commissioners support in going before the Council to ask for a \$2,000 appropriation from C.E.D.I.T. for dues to the Coalition. Commissioner West made a motion to support the appropriation of \$2,000 from C.E.D.I.T. for dues payable to the Coalition, pending approval from the Council. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Francis asked Mr. Tidd if he would consider being the designee for Miami County. Mr. Tidd replied that he serves the Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Tidd, Pat Roberts and the Board discussed the Comprehensive Plan. The intent is to encourage participation and to incorporate the Comprehensive Plan already in place by a unit.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Pat Roberts will make the corrections to the Dog Control contract and send to the Auditor who will then advertise for bids.

Mr. Roberts also presented the Miami County School Safety Committee Ordinance. Commissioner West made a motion to sign the ordinance. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

EMA

Kris Marks informed the Board that the Red Cross had contacted him to see if the County had any place the Red Cross could park their van. The Commissioners said they would probably have to contact the City of Peru.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. Farag requested that the Commissioners allow Health Environmental to move to the new Health office for the security of the women in the Health office. It would also save on equipment and supplies. No action taken

There will need to be 4 appointments made to the Health Board at the February 18th meeting. (Lea Pugh, Brad Hammersley, Debra Graber, Monica Queen)

CIRCUIT COURT

Judge Spahr came before the Board to ask for new carpet in the Circuit Court Room. Judge Spahr stated that if the courtroom was completely carpeted it would help with noise control. He received two quotes:

*Peru Vacuum – partial - \$4918.68 total \$7,532.10

*Mosiers – partial - \$3,769.32 total - \$6,111.00

Commissioner West made a motion to table until the final bills come in for the new Health Department. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Judge Spahr asked the Board if he could stream music when he is here in the evenings or weekends. He realizes that it can disrupt when done during regular work hours but would appreciate it if he could when the courthouse is closed and employees are not trying to do a lot of work. As long as it is not done during work hours the Board is ok with it.

The Judge explained that he had one employee who could not use all of her time. Besides his other employees having time they had to take and jury trials that were scheduled, it was impossible for this particular employee to use her time. He requested that she be allowed to carry over some time. Commissioner West made a motion that due to the circumstances, Teresa Chase be allowed to carry over 37 ¼ hours to be used by the end of April. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

COMMODITY FLOW STUDY

Commissioner Hamman stated the LEPC is not set up for this and made a motion to turn down for this year. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

VETERAN OFFICER

Veteran Officer, Jay Kendall, informed the Board that Congresswoman Jackie Wolorski will be here this Friday to present an award.

HEALTH BUDGET

The Board of Commissioners, Auditor, Health Board members and staff discussed the Health Budget. It appears that a number dropped from the proposed levy amount and instead of 147,260, the advertisement read a levy of 14,726.

The employee benefits in both the Health and the Health Environmental budgets, were moved to the Commissioners budget. After reviewing the 2013 budget for both departments, the remaining amount left in the line, was removed from the 2014 budgets. The \$92,994 the State allowed will cover the Health Department budget. The Commissioners will request an additional appropriation of \$60,000 to cover the expenses of Health Environmental. The Commissioners will cover some repairs and maintenance. If a need comes up, an additional appropriation can be requested.

Commissioner West made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Adjourned

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

_____, **Chairman**
Joshua Francis

_____, **Vice Chairman**
Larry West

_____, **Member**
Jerry Hamman

Attest: _____, **Auditor**
Jane Lilley